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4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.					
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.					
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35
 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this
 Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- 2. Claims 1-3, 9-11, 13-14, 16-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Matsubayashi et al. (US 6,938,202).

Regarding claim 1, Matsubayashi '202 discloses a method for providing printer information to a user, the method comprising:

displaying a dialog box (printer web page 55, col. 5, line 61, fig. 6) to a user in response to a user input (input area 56 for entering a URL, col. 5, lines 60-65), the dialog box including a link to an embedded web server (EWS) of a printer (a printer's embedded web server to a web browser, see Abstract), the EWS maintaining status information corresponding to the printer (i.e., embedded web server 32 receives a request for a printer web page; see col. 5, lines 53-55, fig. 3, Embedded Web Server 32);

in response to the user actuating the link (i.e., a user activates a web browser application residing on the computer and browses the World Wide Web

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through selection of hyperlinks; see col. 1, lines 15-20), providing the user with the status information corresponding to the printer from the EWS (i.e., the URL corresponding to web server 32 in the present instance is http://myneb/. Page 55 also includes input area 56 for entering a URL of a network document to be printed; see col. 5, lines 60-65, fig. 6).

Regarding claim 2, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the method, wherein: the dialog box comprises multiple pages (web pages, col. 5, line 34); in displaying the dialog box to the user (i.e., appropriate Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) pages using HTML forms module 33; see col. 4, lines 63-65), the link is provided on a first of the pages that is displayed (the web page including a link to a directory, col. 2, lines 35-40).

Regarding claim 3, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the method, wherein the dialog box is a print dialog box (a printer web page, col. 2, line 12, fig. 6).

Regarding claim 9, Matsubayashi '202 discloses a method for providing printer status information to a user, the method comprising:

providing information corresponding to a link to a user of a printer (i.e., a link is selected and a command is issued to access a directory corresponding to the link; see col. 2, lines 53-55), the link corresponding to an embedded web server (EWS) (a printer's embedded web server to a web browser, see Abstract), the EWS maintaining status information corresponding to the printer (i.e.,

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embedded web server 32 receives a request for a printer web page; see col. 5, lines 53-55), the link being displayable to the user in response to a user input such that (i.e., the request is preferably provoked by entry of a URL corresponding to server 32 into a browser application executing on a user's computing system; see col., 5, lines 54-56), in response to the user actuating the link (i.e., a user activates a web browser application residing on the computer and browses the World Wide Web through selection of hyperlinks; see col. 1, lines 15-20), the user is provided with the status information corresponding to the printer (i.e., the URL corresponding to web server 32; see col. 5, lines 60-65, fig. 3).

Regarding claim 10, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the method, wherein, in providing information corresponding to a link to a user of a printer (i.e., providing print-by-reference functionality includes providing a web page from a printer's embedded web server to a web browser; see Abstract), the information corresponding to the link is installed in the printer (HTML Forms 33, fig. 3).

Regarding claim 11, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the method, wherein, in providing information corresponding to a link to a user of a printer (i.e., providing print-by-reference functionality includes providing a web page from a printer's embedded web server to a web browser; see Abstract), the user installs the information corresponding to the link in the printer (i.e., a printer web page is provided, a URL is entered into the provided web page, and a web page is

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created based on contents of the website, the web page including hypertext links; see col. 2, lines 50-55, fig. 3).

Regarding claim 13, Matsubayashi '202 discloses a system for providing printer status information to a user, the system comprising:

a status link system operative to display a link to an embedded web server (EWS) of a printer to a user in response to a user input (i.e., a web page from a printer's embedded web server to a web browser, receiving a URL entered into the provided web page; see Abstract), the link being displayed in association with a dialog box (printer web page 55, col. 5, line 61, fig. 6), the EWS maintaining status information corresponding to the printer such that (i.e., embedded web server 32 receives a request for a printer web page; see col. 5, lines 53-55, fig. 3, Embedded Web Server 32), in response to the user actuating the link (i.e., a user activates a web browser application residing on the computer and browses the World Wide Web through selection of hyperlinks; see col. 1, lines 15-20), the user is provided with the status information corresponding to the printer (i.e., the URL corresponding to web server 32; see col. 5, lines 60-65, fig. 3).

Regarding claim 14, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the system, further comprising:

a computer system (fig. 2) comprising:

a processor (15, fig. 2) operative to execute instructions;

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memory communicating with the processor and operative to store instruction executable by the processor (Random access memory (RAM) 26 provides CPU 15 with memory storage, col. 4, lines 50-52); printer interface instructions stored by the memory (i.e., computer-executable process steps of a web browser or other application are transferred from disk 6 over computer bus 16 to RAM 26 and executed therefrom by CPU 15; see col. 4, lines 53-55), the printer interface instructions being operative to display a print dialog box to the user in response to a user input (the IPP client software most likely includes an interface for inputting the URL, col. 1, lines 45-50), the link being displayed in association with the print dialog box (the web page including hypertext links, col. 2, lines 50-55, fig. 6).

Regarding claim 16, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the system, further comprising:

a printer communicating with the computer system (i.e., the request is preferably provoked by entry of a URL corresponding to server 32 into a browser application executing on a user's computing system such as computing system 1; see col. 5, lines 54-57, fig. 1).

Regarding claim 17, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the system, wherein the status link system is stored by the printer (HTML Forms 33, fig. 3).

Regarding claim 18, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the system, wherein the status link system is stored by the computer system (a web browser application, col. 4, lines 45-46, fig. 2).

Regarding claim 19, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the system, wherein the status link system is stored on a computer-readable medium (i.e., disk 6, having stored thereon computer-executable process steps of a web browser application; see col. 4, lines 43-45, fig. 2).

Regarding claim 20, Matsubayashi '202 discloses the system, further comprising:

means for displaying the link (A web page, fig. 7).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 4. Claim 4 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matsubayashi et al. (US 6,938,202) in view of Wiley et al. (US 2004/0137855).

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Regarding claim 4, Matsubayashi '202 does not disclose the method, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages;

the link is provided on a first of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator.

However, the above-mentioned claimed limitations are well known in the art as evidenced by Wiley '855. In particular, Wiley '855 teaches the method, wherein the print dialog box (dialog window 48, page 5, paragraph [0058], fig. 4a) comprises a Properties actuator ("Properties" button 50, fig. 4a), which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages (i.e., this displays a properties dialog window that presents to the user 27 certain properties of a printer that can be selected by the user; see page 5, paragraph [0058]);

the link is provided on a first of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator (i.e., the user 27 is given the opportunity to select at 104 various properties of the printer from a print application dialog window 48 by clicking on the "Properties" button 50 displayed; see page 5, paragraph [0058]).

In view of the above, having the system of Matsubayashi '202 and then given the well-established teaching of Wiley '855, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the system of Matsubayashi '202 as taught by Wiley '855 to include: wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages;

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the link is provided on a first of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator, since Wiley '855 stated on page 1, paragraph [0012] that such a modification would ensure having properties that meet the user's requirements.

5. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matsubayashi et al. (US 6,938,202) in view of Wiley et al. (US 2004/0137855), and further in view of Nishimura (US 2004/0085563).

Regarding claim 5, Matsubayashi '202 does not disclose the method, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages; and the link is provided on one of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator.

Wiley '855 discloses the method, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator ("Properties" button 50, fig. 4a), which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages (i.e., this displays a properties dialog window that presents to the user 27 certain properties of a printer that can be selected by the user; see page 5, paragraph [0058]);

The combination system of Matsubayashi '202 and Wiley '855 does not discloses the link is provided on one of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator.

However, Nishimura '563 teaches the link is provided on one of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator (i.e., the

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individual setting dialog box DB2 has three tabs 'Main', 'Layout', and 'Options; see page 6, paragraph [0086], fig. 4).

In view of the above, having the combination system of Matsubayashi '202 and Wiley '855 and then given the well-established teaching of Nishimura '563, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the combination system of Matsubayashi and Wiley as taught by Nishimura to include: wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages; and the link is provided on one of the pages displayed to the user in response to actuating the Properties actuator, since Nishimura stated on page 1, paragraph [0005] that such a modification would ensure the window for printer properties may alternatively be opened from a 'Print' dialog box, which is displayed in the printing process according to a working application program.

6. Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matsubayashi et al. (US 6,938,202) in view of Wiley et al. (US 2004/0137855) in view of Nishimura (US 2004/0085563), and further in view of Wu (US 2004/0130746).

Regarding claim 6, Matsubayashi '202 fails to disclose the method, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays a Layout page and an About page;

the link is provided on the About page.

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However, the above-mentioned claimed limitations are well known in the art as evidenced by Wiley '855, Wiley '855 teaches the method, wherein the print dialog box (dialog window 48, page 5, paragraph [0058], fig. 4a) comprises a Properties actuator ("Properties" button 50, fig. 4a), which, in response to actuation thereof (i.e., this displays a properties dialog window that presents to the user 27 certain properties of a printer that can be selected by the user; see page 5, paragraph [0058]),

Nishimura '563 teaches the method, wherein displays a Layout page (i.e., the individual setting dialog box DB2 has three tabs `Main`, `Layout`, and `Options; see page 6, paragraph [0086], fig. 4),

Wu '746 teaches the method, wherein displays an About page (About, fig. 5a);

the link is provided on the About page (i.e., it is noted that the user can receiving additional information about the print driver by selecting an "About" button).

In view of the above, having the combination system of Matsubayashi, Wiley, and Nishimura and then given the well-established teaching of Wu, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the system of Matsubayashi, Wiley, and Nishimura as taught by Wu to include: wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays a Layout page and an About page;

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the link is provided on the About page, since Wu stated on page 1, paragraph [0008] that such a modification would ensure the advantage of using the Internet Printing Protocol is that it provides the opportunity to transmit digital document print jobs anywhere in the world to printers coupled to the Internet without the long distance charges that a facsimile transmission can incur.

7. Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matsubayashi et al. (US 6,938,202) in view of Lin et al. (US 6,757,070).

Regarding claim 7, Matsubayashi '202 does not disclose the method, wherein the EWS comprises information corresponding to a service manual of the printer.

However, the above-mentioned claimed limitation is well known in the art as evidenced by Lin '070. In particular, Lin '070 teaches the method, wherein the EWS comprises information corresponding to a service manual of the printer (i.e., data files associated with the server process 13 can be manually edited to change or provide the specific printer information needed for the printer configuration process; see col. 4, lines 50-55).

In view of the above, having the system of Matsubayashi '202 and then given the well-established teaching of Lin '070, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the system of Matsubayashi as taught by Lin to include: wherein the EWS comprises information corresponding to a service manual of the printer, since Lin

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stated in col. 2, lines 1-5 that such a modification would require the user at the client, the user usually has the burden of installing a new printer driver for every new type of printer, or more generally, for any output device hooked up to the server.

8. Claims 8, 12, 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matsubayashi et al. (US 6,938,202) in view of Wu (US 2004/0130746).

Regarding claim 8, Matsubayashi '202 does not disclose the method, wherein:

the method additionally comprises providing a list of printers from which the user is able to print, each of the printers having corresponding printer information associated therewith;

in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list, a corresponding link to a EWS that comprises the printer information associated with the printer selected is displayed.

However, the above-mentioned claimed limitations are well known in the art as evidenced by Wu '746. In particular, Wu '746 teaches the method, wherein:

the method additionally comprises providing a list of printers (708, fig. 7) from which the user is able to print, each of the printers having corresponding printer information associated therewith (706, fig. 7);

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in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list (i.e., a user may "select printer" from the web page and select the printer from a scrollable list provided by the web page; see page 2, paragraph [0033]), a corresponding link to a EWS that comprises the printer information associated with the printer selected is displayed (700, fig. 7).

In view of the above, having the system of Matsubayashi '202 and then given the well-established teaching of Wu '746, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the system of Matsubayashi '202 as taught by Wu '746 to include: wherein:

the method additionally comprises providing a list of printers from which the user is able to print, each of the printers having corresponding printer information associated therewith:

in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list, a corresponding link to a EWS that comprises the printer information associated with the printer selected is displayed, since Wu '746 stated on page 1, paragraph [0008] that such a modification would ensure the advantage of using the Internet Printing Protocol is that it provides the opportunity to transmit digital document print jobs anywhere in the world to printers coupled to the Internet without the long distance charges that a facsimile transmission can incur.

Regarding claim 12, Matsubayashi '202 does not disclose the method, wherein:

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the user has access to multiple printers;

the method further comprises:

providing the user with a link to an EWS that comprises printer information corresponding to one of the multiple printers currently selected by the user.

However, the above-mentioned claimed limitations are well known in the art as evidenced by Wu '746. In particular, Wu '746 teaches the method, wherein:

the user has access to multiple printers (a list of printers 708, fig. 7); the method further comprises:

providing the user with a link to an EWS (Web Server to process print requests, see Abstract) that comprises printer information corresponding to one of the multiple printers currently selected by the user (706, fig. 7).

In view of the above, having the system of Matsubayashi '202 and then given the well-established teaching of Wu '746, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the system of Matsubayashi '202 as taught by Wu '746 to include: wherein:

the user has access to multiple printers;

the method further comprises:

providing the user with a link to an EWS that comprises printer information corresponding to one of the multiple printers currently selected by the user, since Wu '746 stated on page 1, paragraph [0008] that such a modification would ensure the advantage of using the Internet Printing Protocol is that it provides the

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opportunity to transmit digital document print jobs anywhere in the world to printers coupled to the Internet without the long distance charges that a facsimile transmission can incur.

Regarding claim 15, Matsubayashi '202 does not disclose the system, wherein:

the printer interface instructions are executable to display a list of printers with which the computer system has access, each of the printers having corresponding printer information associated therewith;

in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list, the status link system is operative to display a corresponding link to an EWS that maintains the printer status information associated with the printer selected.

However, the above-mentioned claimed limitations are well known in the art as evidenced by Wu '746. In particular, Wu '746 teaches the system, wherein:

the printer interface instructions are executable to display a list of printers with which the computer system has access (i.e., an Online Web Print Server can accept document submissions via an Internet and transmit print jobs to various printers; see page 2, paragraph [0032], fig. 7, Print List 708), each of the printers having corresponding printer information associated therewith (Printer Capabilities 706, fig. 7);

in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list (i.e., the Online Web Print Server enables a client to select a printer and upload a file to

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the server; see page 1, paragraph [0013]), the status link system is operative to display a corresponding link to an EWS that maintains the printer status information associated with the printer selected (i.e., a user may "select printer" from the web page and select the printer from a scrollable list provided by the web page; see page 2, paragraph [0033]).

In view of the above, having the system of Matsubayashi '202 and then given the well-established teaching of Wu '746, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to modify the system of Matsubayashi '202 as taught by Wu '746 to include: wherein:

the printer interface instructions are executable to display a list of printers with which the computer system has access, each of the printers having corresponding printer information associated therewith;

in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list, the status link system is operative to display a corresponding link to an EWS that maintains the printer status information associated with the printer selected, since Wu '746 stated on page 1, paragraph [0008] that such a modification would ensure the advantage of using the Internet Printing Protocol is that it provides the opportunity to transmit digital document print jobs anywhere in the world to printers coupled to the Internet without the long distance charges that a facsimile transmission can incur.

Conclusion

9. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Moore et al. (US 6,310,601) discloses resizing images to improve network throughput.

Kanazawa (US 2002/0046217) discloses image processing apparatus having bbs function and control method thereof and program therefor, and storage medium.

Schacht et al. (US 6,959,437) discloses system and method for installing printer driver software.

Shima et al. (US 2004/0167973) discloses device presenting information about resource location of device control software.

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Allen H. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-270-1229. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 9:00 AM-6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, King Poon can be reached on (571)-272-7440. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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